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This is a **Request for Continued Examination** under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (RCE) of pending application Serial No. 09/486,703, filed on June 27, 2000, entitled A **METHOD OF DIAGNOSIS**.

The following constitute the submission required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(a) and is attached:

Preliminary Amendment

X Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449

Drawing Changes

Please charge the required RCE and submission filing fee of \$\frac{\\$790.00}{\}\$ to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon LLP**, deposit account number 11–0600.

Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the Final Office Action mailed September 15, 2006 for which a three-month response period, expiring on December 15, 2006, was set. The one-month extended period for response expires on January 16, 2007. (Since the deadline for filing a response was Monday, January 15, 2007, which falls on a Federal Holiday, the Request for Continued Examination is considered timely filed on Tuesday, January 16, 2007, which is the next business day after a Federal Holiday). Please charge the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) one-month extension fee of \$120.00, and any additional fees that may be required, to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed for accounting purposes.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fees, including any additional fees required, associated with this communication or arising during the pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon LLP**, deposit account number 11–0600. A duplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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